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### **GOV. EASLEY MAKES APPOINTMENTS TO MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES COMMISSION**

**RALEIGH** – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Laura Coker** of Winston-Salem and **Mazie Fleetwood** of Asheboro and reappointed **Dorothy Rose Crawford** of Franklin, **Dr. Paul H. Gulley** of Elkin, **Martha Y. Martinat** of Winston-Salem and **Dr. William L. Sims** of Raleigh to the North Carolina Commission for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services.

Coker is a nurse at High Point Detention Center. She serves on the adult services advisory committee and is the chair of the consumer and family advisory committee for CenterPoint Human Services. She is also on the executive committee. Coker is also a member of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill in North Carolina. She received her bachelor's degree from Austin State University in Texas and her nursing degree from El Centro College in Dallas.

Fleetwood was an area director for Randolph County Mental Health in Asheboro. She has served on the board of directors for the N.C. Council of Community Programs and the N.C. Community Programs Administrative Services Organization. Fleetwood received her bachelor's degree from Meredith College and attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for her master's degree.

Crawford has been a commission member since 1995. She currently serves on the N.C. Directors of Social Services and has previously served as their secretary, western representative, vice president and president. She is a member of the western North Carolina Development Association, Western North Carolina Tomorrow, Southwestern Child Development Commission and the Smokey Mountain Area Mental Health. Crawford received her bachelor's degree from George Pepperdine University and completed graduate work at the School of Social Work at UNC-Chapel Hill, the School of Social Work at the University of Tennessee and Western North Carolina University.

Gulley has been a physician at Hugh Chatham Hospital since 1985. During that time he has served as chief of the medical staff and as chief of the department of family practice and internal medicine. He has been a commission member since 1995. Gulley received his bachelor's degree at Wake Forest University and his doctorate at Bowman Gray School of Medicine.

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Martinat has been a commission member since 1999. She is currently a member of the allocation panel for Smart Start, the Leadership Winston-Salem board and a trustee for the Friends of Reynolds Auditorium. She is the past president and chairman of the N.C. Medical Alliance, the Winston-Salem Mayor's committee for the Handicapped and the N.C. Committee of Health Education in Public Schools. Martinat received her bachelor's degree at Duke University.

Sims is a major in the United States Air Force and a physician. He is certified by the American Board on Neurological Surgeons. Sims has been a commission member since 2000. He has served on the American Association of Neurological Surgeons, the National Medical Association, the Southern Neurological Society and the N.C. Neurological Society. Sims received his bachelor's degree from West Virginia University and his doctorate from the University of Kentucky.

The commission makes rules for public and private mental health, developmental disabilities and substance abuse programs in North Carolina. There are 30 members on the commission, each serving a three-year term. Each congressional district is represented on the commission and the governor appoints 24 members.

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